

## White Elephant Hotel Residences Receives 2010 Housing Design Award

*Nantucket property receives Award for Design Excellence from the American Institute of Architects and the Boston Society of Architects*



*Nantucket MA* – Nantucket Island Resorts is pleased to announce that the White Elephant Hotel Residences have received an Award for Design Excellence in the 2010 Housing Design Awards sponsored by the American Institute of Architecture (AIA) and Boston Society of Architects (BSA).

For the awards, the AIA and BSA jury reviewed 63 properties built in New England and New York, narrowing the entrants down to the top ten based on criteria including attention to detail, sustainability, and the balance between private and public areas. The White Elephant Hotel Residences were chosen for their exceptional design, the jurors noting that the Residence’s “traditional architectural style and village-like setting honors the community’s past while the intimate scale and beautifully executed details combine to create tasteful, well-handled public and private spaces suitable for contemporary living.” The jurors were dually impressed by the attention to detail seen in the light-filled interiors and gracious outdoor spaces, as well as the incorporation of environmentally sensitive materials and pending LEED certification.

Built by Arrowstreet architecture firm, the Residences opened in 2008 as an extension of the iconic White Elephant Hotel on Nantucket. As ideal Nantucket vacation rentals, the Hotel Residences provide a private residential experience with all the services and amenities of the hotel. Arrowstreet was chosen for the project due to the firm’s intimate knowledge of classic Nantucket architecture.

The interiors, designed by New York’s esteemed Alexandra Champalimaud & Associates, combine classic Nantucket cottage style with a distinctly European edge. Interiors feature wood floors and hand woven carpets, hand-stitched Gayle Warwick Fine Linen sheets, and commissioned unique art by notable Nantucket artists.

In other awards news, the White Elephant was recently listed on *Travel + Leisure’s* 2010 Word’s Best Awards as one of the top 50 Resorts in North America, and the only resort in New England to make the list.

The White Elephant Hotel Residences comprise of 25 one-, two-, and three- bedroom residences located just outside of Nantucket’s historic downtown. Nantucket Islands Resorts also owns: The Wauwinet, a Relais & Châteaux property; White Elephant; Jared Coffin House; The Cottages & Lofts; and Nantucket Boat Basin. For more information please visit [www.nantucketislandresorts.com](http://www.nantucketislandresorts.com).